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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In Chicago, prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on lighter weights. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the weekend. Demand into all channels ranged light to good. Supplies were adequate to close for full trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were short to fully sufficient for the moderate to very good demand. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules for next week were reduced due to the upcoming holiday.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL EGG Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 1 cent higher for large. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to good, best for features. Loose egg sales were seasonably moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies were adequate to at times close. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was good to very good. Offerings were barely adequate to tight as product continues to be held with confidence. Floor stocks were usually balanced to tight. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	64-73	66-70
LARGE	63-71	64-69
MEDIUM	50-58	53-55

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS

LARGE	47-51
MEDIUM	33-35
SMALL	12-16
MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA	

NORTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged, however asking prices were trending slightly higher for next week. The market tone was steady to fully steady. Demand ranged moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate for current requirements. Breaking stock supplies were reported as short to fully adequate for the moderate to good demand. Light hens were fully adequate for the light to at best fair demand. Processing schedules for both breaking stock and light hens were reported as reduced due to the upcoming holiday.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69-82	72-75
LARGE	64-79	71-73
MEDIUM	52-67	57-59
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT		

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL EGG Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment mostly steady to instances fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to good. Food service movement was seasonably moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to at times tight.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	73.5-81	74-75
LARGE	68.5-76	70-71
MEDIUM	53.5-60	55-57

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. The market tone was usually steady entering the weekend. Demand was mostly moderate to instances good. Supplies were sufficient to close for trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were irregular and ranged short to fully adequate. Breaking schedules were reduced for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules for next week were reported as reduced due to the upcoming holiday.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69.5-77	71-74
LARGE	68-75	69-72
MEDIUM	52.5-60	53-57

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK EGGS Prices were unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady entering the weekend. Retail demand ranged light to at times good. Next week's anticipated movement was expected to improve, however limited features were noted for the holiday week. Supplies were adequate for current requirements. **RANGE**
EXTRA LARGE 79-83
LARGE 77-81
MEDIUM 65-69

CHICAGO EGGS Prices for extra large and large increased 1 cent, mediums unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail and food service demand was moderate, instances good. Best movement was through retail where features are planned or in progress. Supplies mostly balanced.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	70-76
LARGE	68-74
MEDIUM	54-60

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WESTERN REGION EGG Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings generally adequate.

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings generally adequate. Small benchmark price 68. Ads in Southern California: major- large dozen 2 for \$3; smaller outlets- extra large 20 pack 159, 3 for \$5, large dozen 88. **CALIFORNIA** California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114
EXTRA LARGE	109
LARGE	102
MEDIUM	88

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	93-104
EXTRA LARGE	91-99
LARGE	89-92
MEDIUM	75-78

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-339
EXTRA LARGE	259-319
LARGE	219-229
MEDIUM	199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Demand was still good to very good. Offerings were barely adequate to tight as product continues to be held with confidence. Processors remained focused on filling regular commitments so the spot sale market was limited. Floor stocks were usually balanced to tight. Trade sentiment fully steady.

PRICES PAID, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	48-51	50-51
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	34-39	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were higher when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was steady to instances firm. Demand was moderate to good. Most breakers were not aggressively seeking product and usually relying on regular commitments. Overall supplies varied from plant to plant and was reported in a range of short to fully adequate. Breaking schedules were reported as reduced for the upcoming holiday week. Cases broken in the Eastern region for the week ending June 21, 2003 was 1 percent less than last week and 5 percent lower than the same week a year ago.

PRICES PAID, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	46-50	47-49
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-43	34-38
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION -

W/E 21-Jun-03

(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,197,007	29,222	10,934	5,916	2,306	4,149
PW	1,186,785	28,990	10,997	5,794	2,342	4,225
LY	1,314,549	30,733	12,637	7,091	2,938	4,587
% CHG PW	1	1	-1	2	-2	-2
% CHG LY	-9	-5	-13	-17	-22	-10
2003	28,270,889	690,010	257,688	141,783	57,733	103,365
2002	29,305,658	680,580	289,658	156,148	70,087	105,060
% CHG YTD	-4	1	-11	-9	-18	-2
	CURRENT		PREVIOUS		LAST	
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	WEEK		WEEK		YEAR	
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.96		42.14		41.88	
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.49		38.58		38.39	

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 58.5 to 65.75 cents fob, mostly 59 to 63 cents with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was firm for all liquid products. Demand for all products was good to very good for the truly limited trading. Offerings were very limited for current needs and were being held with confidence. Central states nest run breaking stock prices were higher when compared to last weeks prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 27 June, 2003 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE		TFEWR		
WHITES	11	31-34	32.55	-.05
YOLKS	9	61-70.5	65.78	7.46

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Trade sentiment was generally fully steady to firm with majority prices irregular on whites but unchanged to higher on balance of items when compared to previous week's trading. Demand was unaggressive but mostly fair to moderately good as values continue to trend higher. Offerings ranged from short to about adequate for trade needs. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 21 Jun 2003 were 2% less the previous week, and 7% less than a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER LB IN 30 LB CONTAINERS)		LTL TRUCKLOTS (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	48-58	54-57	64-68
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		73-95
WHITES	42-48	45-47	51-59
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	69-80	77-80	82-89
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	70-76	72-75	78-89

(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN All prices were higher. Trade sentiment was mostly firm for all products. Offerings were short of current needs and were held with confidence as many processors are still struggling to fill regular commitments. Demand was good to very good. Breaking stock prices were higher compared to last week's reported prices.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB CONTAINERS)		LTL TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	
WHOLE	56-58	57-58	
WHITES	45-48	47-48	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80	79	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	74-76	75	

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 2 cents higher on whole, 1 cent higher on whites, 4 cents higher on sugar yolks, and 3 cents higher on salt yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 6/21 was 14% more than the previous week. Breaking stock increased particularly mediums. Frozen demand moderate with freezer stocks in good balance.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB CONTAINERS)		LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)	
	RANGE		
WHOLE	62-65		
WHITES	51-54		
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	83-86		
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82		

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Prices were irregular on albumen. However, mostly prices were higher to sharply higher on all products when compared to last week's trading. Trade sentiment was full steady to firm even at prevailing price levels. Floor stocks were short on albumen. Offerings of other items were reported as balanced to mostly tight. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 21 Jun 2003 were 2% less than the previous week and 22% less than the same week last year. The total year to date dried egg produced were 18% less than a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB, IN CONT., TRUCKLOT & LESS-THAN-

TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.95-2.25	MOSTLY 2.05-2.15
YOLKS	1.67-1.90	MOSTLY 1.75-1.85
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.05-3.60	MOSTLY 3.30-3.50
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.42-1.60	MOSTLY 1.45-1.55

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 20, 2003-JUNE 26, 2003**CURRENT LOADS** 74.75**FUTURE LOADS** 52.00**TOTAL LOADS** 126.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	52.00	53.67	51.25	53.00	50.00	52.50	12.00
GNR W 2	—	53.00	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR W 3	—	43.00	—	—	37.00	39.00	4.00
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	41.00	43.13	2.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	63.00	1.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00
GL W XL	—	64.00	61.92	63.35	58.56	63.00	34.50
GL W LG	—	64.00	60.00	60.55	56.89	59.50	25.50
GL W MD	—	50.00	48.93	49.62	44.13	47.50	16.00
GL W SM	30.50	33.00	30.38	32.63	—	—	3.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	49.00	50.00	53.25	51.50	28.75
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	48.50	2.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	34.00	36.00	—	38.83	4.25

	SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	50.00	—	—	—	—	63.00	3.00
GNR W 2	50.00	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
GL W J	64.00	—	—	—	67.00	70.58	3.50
GL W XL	60.70	63.00	—	—	—	67.02	19.75
GL W LG	59.38	62.68	—	—	—	66.15	19.75
GL W MD	43.20	—	—	—	—	49.42	6.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER
CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION Removal values were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Offerings of spent hens were fully adequate for current trade needs. Demand was mostly light to at best fair. Processing schedules were reported as reduced for the holiday week. Opinions on removal cost were fully steady to firm.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-11	8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Costs of salvage were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Supplies of spent hens were ample for needs. Demand was easily met at slaughter operations. Trade sentiment was about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Values ranged higher. Demand was slow and dismal with offerings ample to burdensome as finished product movement was disappointing. Slaughter schedules normal to reduced for next week. Opinions of value were about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-10.25	5-10.25

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked moderate schedules. Offerings generally adequate.

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL FOR W/E 27-JUN-03
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	73.50	72.00	58.00
SOUTHEAST	72.50	70.50	55.00
MIDWEST	68.00	66.50	54.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	74.50	70.50	56.00
COMBINED REGIONAL	72.23	69.89	55.76
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY REGIONAL AREA POPULATIONS			

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were unchanged on both light and heavy cannery when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for usually limited but sufficient offerings. However, some buyers were looking for additional supplies of heavy cannery. The undertone was somewhat seasonal but usually steady. CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-24.5 MAJORITY 23-24	29-36 MAJORITY 32.5-33
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED	
LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
22-26.5 MAJORITY 25-26	31.5-38 MAJORITY 34-35

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 21-Jun-03
(PRELIMINARY)

	U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,564	1,596	3,160
LAST WEEK	1,573	1,654	3,227
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,703	1,517	3,220
TO-DATE/2003	41,394	33,768	75,162
TO-DATE/2002	45,503	33,351	78,854

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	287	14	301
LAST WEEK	288	3	291
SAME WEEK YR AGO	402	0	402
TO-DATE/2003	6,402	100	6,502
TO-DATE/2002	8,220	38	8,258

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

	TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,851	1,610	3,461
LAST WEEK	1,861	1,657	3,518
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,105	1,517	3,622
TO-DATE/2003	47,796	33,868	81,664
TO-DATE/2002	53,723	33,389	87,112

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 14, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002/1	2003	2002
Liquid	608	353	7,156	8,980
Frozen	0	0	3	0
Dried	0	18	232	320
Total	608	371	7,391	9,300

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending June 14, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002/1	2003	2002
Liquid	151	167	2,750	3,149
Frozen	2	112	1,616	1,712
Dried	0	84	681	2,545
Total	153	363	5,047	7,406

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 14, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002/1	2003	2002
Jumbo	15	30	226	1,131
Extra Large	1,145	835	9,685	10,500
Large	3,440	4,044	40,008	58,678
Medium	1,500	1,320	29,838	23,952
Ungraded	2,160	18,450	25,026	158,885
Misc	0	90	3,852	12,184
Total	8,260	24,769	108,635	265,330

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - (INCL GOVT STOCKS)
SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 06/23/03	3,175	217,721	46,058
AM 06/01/03	2,700	219,295	43,194
CHG	475	-1574	2864
PCT CHG	18%	-1%	7%

CHICKENS AND EGGS**May Egg Production Down Slightly**

U.S. egg production totaled 7.27 billion during May 2003, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.15 billion table eggs and 1.13 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.06 billion were broiler-type and 64.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2003 averaged 334 million, down 1 percent from a year earlier. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,180 eggs, up slightly from May 2002.

May 2003 contained 22 weekdays, one holiday and five Saturdays, compared to May 2002, with 23 weekdays, one holiday and four Saturdays.

All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 2003, totaled 333 million, down 1 percent from a year ago. The 333 million layers consisted of 273 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 57.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.68 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2003, averaged 69.9 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.78 billion eggs during May 2003, down 1 percent from a year ago. The average number of layers during May, at 311 million, was down 1 percent from a year ago.

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 21-Jun-2003

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	18.4	19.4	-5	-16
BOSTON	3.9	3.4	15	3
CHICAGO	56.5	58.2	-3	34
DETROIT	26.6	30.9	-14	-9
KANSAS CITY	3.9	2.8	39	26
LOS ANGELES	87.5	81.6	7	3
NEW ORLEANS	10.3	13.4	-23	-13
NEW YORK	30.9	31.0	0	-2
ST. LOUIS	17.4	18.4	-5	-8
SAN FRANCISCO	21.7	21.7	0	-2
TOTAL	277.1	280.8	-1	3
4 WK MVG AVG	278.7			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 21-Jun-03

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	216.2	2	-2
E.N. CENTRAL	550.6	-3	23
W.N. CENTRAL	297.1	-3	17
S. ATLANTIC	168.8	1	18
S. CENTRAL	99.8	-2	27
WEST	192.2	38	0
TOTAL	1524.7	2	14
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		86	86

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

24-Jun-2003

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS
DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	122	117	85	53
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	115-119	109-113	78-82	46-50
MOSTLY	117-118	111-112	80-81	48-49
RHODE ISLAND	121-125	116-120	84-88	52-56
MOSTLY	121	116	84	52
VERMONT	125	120	85-88	-
MOSTLY	-	-	88	-

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